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Charlee Harrison, owner of Pet Valu on Garrison Road, with one of two cats available for adoption at the local pet store, through the Fort Erie SPCA. Over the last five weeks, five cats have been given homes since this partnership started.

Under the scope

Ten complaints filed for audits, Shular only member of current council not challenged

Kris Dubé
The Times

Audit applications continued to file in before deadline last week, over campaign expenses of candidates in the October 2010 election.

On top of the challenges made into the financial statements of councillors John Hill, Don Lubberts and Paul Collard, which have already been given the green light by the Niagara Compliance Audit Committee for an audit to be conducted, mayor Martin, councillor Stephen Passero and Ward 4 candidate Tim Whitfield also made the list of candidates under the microscope.

On Friday of last week, a few hours before the final opportunity to file a complaint, another application was filed over mayor Martin's re-use of signs for his campaign.

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Stage is set for next round

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Originally, this complaint was filed earlier in the week by former councillor Richard Berry. On Friday, local resident John Gilmour made the same complaint.

Complaints were filed by local resident Mike Cloutier into the financial statements of Ward 3 Coun. Bob Steckley and mayoral candidate Ann-Marie Noyes.

The application over Steckley's reporting of his finances, accuses him of being in contravention of the municipal act because of a donation he received.

Steckley's campaign received a $600 donation from a corporation operating as Strategic Assessment and Rehabilitation, using the acronym 'STAR,' of which Noyes is president of and was the cheque signatory.

Steckley contributed $800 to his own campaign and his spouse donated $999.99. The campaign was left with a surplus of $136.04, which was refunded back.

On Noyes' financial records, Steckley donated $300 to Noyes' campaign and his wife, also contributed the same amount, for a total of $600 from the Steckley household. This is the same amount donated from the STAR group to his campaign.

"Without the $600 contribution from STAR, the Steckley campaign would have had a deficit and increased the financial liability of the candidate to the campaign," wrote Cloutier in his application.

Cloutier is also accusing Noyes of contravening the municipal act over the domain name of her campaign website www.noyesformayor.com. According to the local resident, Noyes registered the domain name in October 2009 but since she didn't register as a mayoral candidate until Jan. 2010, an expenditure of funds was made outside her campaign period.

Noyes said signing up for the Internet domain name was a decision she made, knowing it was possible she might be throwing her name into the hat for the mayoral race. She had not made a final decision at that point she would be doing so and was also in the middle of helping two of her children plan their weddings in 2010, one of them two weeks before the election. Taking out the web address for her campaign was away to make sure it would be available if and when it came time to enter her name.

"I wasn't thinking election laws, because I wasn't even sure I was running," said Noyes.

Local resident Shawn Chesney has also filed a complaint into Noyes' financial statements, over a donation she received from the Fort Erie Waterfront Preservation Association, a group that has lead the oppositional charge against the Crystal Beach Gateway Project.

Town clerk Carolyn Kett says a cost of the three audits that have already been ordered (Hill, Lubberts, Collard) has not yet been pinpointed.

Cost recovery could take place if the compliance committee deems an application to be unreasonable.

"There's no cost recovery with the application, unless there's an audit ordered and the auditor deems there to be no apparent contraventions," said Kett.

The committee could then recommend to the local council to vote on whether or not an attempt to recover costs should be made.

There are a total of ten applications that have been made and Ward 2 Coun. Rick Shular is the only current council member who is not having his books scrutinized.

Steckley has been called out in the past, by his complainant, who operates a website that editorializes on local issues.

Therefore, the second-term councillor is not surprised the application was filed by Cloutier, who posted a story on his site two weeks before the election last year, saying he contravened municipal rules and procedures.

This time around, Steckley believes he will be in the clear after the application is heard.

"I don't see that I've done anything wrong and I feel the audit committee will see that as well," said Steckley.

A notice of compliance meeting will be held on Tues. July 12, inside the council chambers at Town Hall where presentations before the compliance committee will be made by both sides.

The committee then decides whether or not there is reasonable grounds to move ahead.

The meeting will cover the most recent seven applications filed.

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C. diff case no cause for concern

There are 13 reported cases of C. difficile at Greater Niagara General Hospital (GNGH) in Niagara Falls and four confirmed deaths.

At the Douglas Memorial site, there is one patient with the condition, but has been receiving local care there since March, when transferred from St. Catharines.

The Niagara Health System (NHS)'s vice-president of patient services told the Times, it is not related to the outbreak elsewhere in the region.

Demizio explained there are strict guidelines when it comes to C. difficile patients and that has proven to be effective since the patient arrived in Fort Erie.

"We haven't had any new cases, which demonstrates the isolation precautions are working," said Demizio, who is responsible for infection precaution and control with the NHS.

Keeping in mind the patient's privacy, Demizio could not give details of how they contracted the condition, whether it was in the care of the NHS or community-acquired.

Summer haircut

KRIS DUBÉ Fort Erie Times

Garrison Road Public School student Samantha Meli, decided to end the academic year on a high note on Wednesday, donating 13 inches of her hair to Angel Hair for Kids, after a trim from vice-principal Michael Burns. In 2008, the now 10-year-old, donated 19 inches of hair to the same charity.

Male dies after being trapped in corn silo

Ministry of Labour will investigate, FEFD extricated male

A local male has lost his life due to an accident in Stevensville.

On Thursday, at approximately 11:30 a.m., the Niagara Regional Police Service, Fort Erie Fire Department (FEFD) and Niagara Emergency Medical Services attended an address on House Road. responding to reports that a 57- year-old male had become trapped in a corn silo.

Upon arrival emergency crews were advised that the male was attempting to do some work on the inside of the silo when he became trapped.

The FEFD managed to extricate the male from the silo and he was air lifted to Welland County General Hospital where he was pronounced dead.

The Ministry of Labour is investigating this tragic incident.

Quarter horses at Racetrack this weekend

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Local high schools not part of accommodation review's first phase

Kris Dubé
The Times

Ridgeway-Crystal Beach High School (RCBHS) is remaining a local place to become educated for young people, despite rumours that it is shutting its doors.

In May, the District School Board of Niagara (DSBN) brought forward its facility planning report, which addresses declining enrolment across the board and buildings that are not being utilized properly.

Approval of the report was the first step in an accommodation review to be conducted into four local elementary schools: Fort Erie Elementary, Garrison Road, General Vanier and Rose Seaton.

This is the first phase of the plan and Fort Erie's DSBN trustee Dave Schaubel said it could be a long time until RCBHS or FESS are up for review, despite some rumblings around town and on social networking sites. He did say they are likely to be part of the review process' third phase.

He said schools at the elementary level need to be addressed first, because there aren't as many students in the classrooms, built many years ago.

> **"People aren't having as many children."**
>
> *— Dave Schaubel*
> *DSBN trustee*

Schaubel feels there are two main reasons for this reality.

"People aren't having as many children and people are moving out of the peninsula because there's not a lot of quality jobs," he said, also noting that this is taking place all over the country and not just in Niagara.

Making sure this is addressed properly is the backbone of the DSBN's plan to review its schools, and it is aimed to improve efficiency levels, but mostly the quality of education students will have available to them.

"The amount of money it's going to cost to keep the DSBN's buildings, far surpasses their value... and that all factors into it," said Schaubel.

But mostly, it's all about the kids.

"That's very much what the accommodation review is for... we want to provide the best possible education for our kids that we can, so they can achieve success in the world around them. That's the bottom line."

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The review will begin in September, of the four local elementary schools.

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our editorial

Support this year's Friendship Festival

It's that time of year again, when Fort Erie is put on the map with its annual Friendship Festival.

With favourable weather in the forecast, this is your chance to forget about all the negativity taking place in town and enjoy Fort Erie's trademark event.

In its 25th year, this is a special one.

The War of 1812 bicentennial celebration is only a year away and it is expected many out of town festival-goers will be hear about it while enjoying this year's festival.

There is always plenty to do for the entire family...whether it's taking the kids down for rides and games during the day, or finding a babysitter so Mom and Dad can enjoy some of the concerts.

The Friendship Festival is always a time for everyone, from all demographics to enjoy themselves.

There will likely be many seniors perusing craft areas, you adults taking in some of the music at Mather's Arch and meeting up with friends to start the summer and middle aged people checking out the beer tent.

Enjoy yourself responsibly and perhaps we will see you down there.

-Kris Dubé

Do You Remember?

Many thanks to Dr. Timothy Buss and Andrea Menig for confirming the names of the graduates and presenters in last week's photo of the 1981 graduation ceremony at Fort Erie Secondary School. >From left to right: Daniel (Danny) Weiss, Tracey Browne, Bill Bown, and Suzanne Boudreau. Thanks as well to Tracey (now Tracey Longval) for phoning in to tell us about the ceremony. The two graduates were receiving Athlete of the Year awards, presented by the following year's student council presidents, Tracey and Bill.

In this week's photo, a line of young women march with Canadian flags held aloft. Could this be a Canada Day celebration of yesteryear? Please contact the Fort Erie Historical Museum by phone (905) 894-5322 or by email museum@forterie.on.ca.

The election was eight months ago, so deal with it

Kris Dubé
Editor's Notebook

It's time to start acting like a whole community and stop fueling the growing divide that continues to damage our reputation.

The Bay Beach issue is hands down the most controversial ongoing news item that I have covered since I started here over four years ago.

I have expressed my own personal opinion about the project many times, saying the positive will outweigh the negative if the condo building does end up being built.

I've been called biased, unfair, and simply incorrect in my statements. That's fine, if I expected everyone to agree with me then I should really give my head a shake.

But with the recent roadblock of ten audit applications filed over election campaign expenses, I've grown tired of the people who share the same opinions as me on Bay Beach not being able to understand there are four members of council who feel differently.

It's their opinion and they are the ones who were elected.

Also, there's a difference between expressing your opinion once in a while and devoting every hour of the day to slamming these guys.

I have to wonder how many people's children were late for school or soccer practice, because their father was too busy blogging about local issues and not paying attention to the rest of the real world around them.

There have been claims that the rest of Niagara and the province are watching closely and are being scared away from doing business here because of the back-and-forth motions we have seen with this issue.

Imagine what the impression of us is now!

It is eight months after the election and people are still fighting to 'unseat' certain members of council. Actually, most members considering Rick Shular is the only one who made it through this battle unscathed.

I'm quite new to this audit process and I'm not sure what the outcome will be. There are some complaints that are more valid than the others, but there are some that were simply filed because people have no regard for the municipality as a whole and don't care at all that it is making Fort Erie look like a bunch of crybabies that can't face reality.

I have criticized some councillors in the past over decisions....but it doesn't mean I think they are stupid or incapable of representing their constituents in a proper fashion.

I'd love to be able to say 'just sit back and you'll see' but I can't because unfortunately any Town business that needs to be done is basically frozen because of these potential audits.

We hear complaints about road conditions and sewer backups, but how are these issues going to be addressed if council has to devote all its time to defending challenges against them?

I have no idea how long this is going to take, but already I know it will be too long.

If you would like to leave me feedback, call me at (905) 871-3100 ext. 207 or send me an email at editorial@forterietimes.com.

opinion page

Health system a 'comedy of errors' says reader

Dear Editor,

Recently, I wrote a Letter to the Editor and sent it to newspapers with the hope that it would alert people across Ontario to what was happening to our healthcare, and the closing of hospitals. It was with hope of getting those living in Ontario, involved to help stop the movement that would snowball and take out our healthcare system, and our rights to equal accessible health care.

It did snowball and many communities have suffered loss of services. In the Niagara area, we have lost not only the two emergency departments that took care of the immediate needs of the inhabitants and tourists, but also, in reality took away the services and hospital beds that were available to those living in the surrounding areas.

The remaining three hospitals left were made responsible for all emergency cases because of the downgrading of the two hospital emergency rooms to Urgent Care Centres, and now their already overused E.Rs are inundated with all patients from the Fort Erie and Port Colborne and surrounding areas.

How could the NHS and the LHIN not see what was inevitable, as patients requiring immediate assessment and treatment was brought in their doors? There were not, and are not, enough beds to admit the patients so many wait in ambulances, in crowded waiting rooms, in corridors, or whatever area can be found, for hours waiting anxiously to be treated.

Our hospitals are now fighting C-difficle and they, according to the news articles, have hired extra security to remind people to wash their hands! The expression "a little too late" comes to mind with that comment. What about the patients that they transferred to other facilities knowing that they had infectious diseases, and discharged into the community only to have them readmitted after possibly infecting others in the community? The whole health system seems to be a comedy of errors and changes are made without thought to the repercussions that will be a domino effect mistake.

We do need an independent investigation into the NHS and certainly not one with the Minister of Health dictating who should be on it. If it is made up of members of the LHIN and the NHS it is really a "stacked deck" and like giving the fox the keys to the hen house.

Joy Russell
Yellow Shirt Brigade

Thanks to FOCB board members

Dear Editor,

I would like to thank the new board of directors of the Friends of Crystal Beach (FOCB).

There is an old adage: "when the going gets tough, the tough gets going."

And that's just what these six people did. I am not going to name names, but they know who they are.

Stepping up to the plate is not always easy but is always time consuming. Most of us appreciate this.

We are a unique community here in Crystal Beach... Canadain, American, Italian, English and Australian to name a few.

We are a regular melting pot. For the most part, we get along well We work, play and pray together as a community.

The FOCB has played an intrical role in keeping our community informed, involved and caring about our surroundings.

There is much excitement in the air for the year to come.

Mary Ann Downs-Strath
FOCB

The TIMES Asks

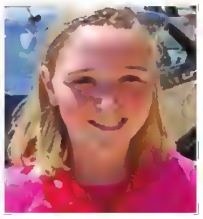
How will you be spending your Canada Day weekend?

Tami Dickson

"I'll be going to the festival and I will have to work a bit too."

Sandy Beach

"I'll be heading to the festival to check out some of the concerts and booths."



Bryanna Lamb

"I'll be going on all the rides at the festival with my friends. I'll also be looking at some of the jewelry."

Ruth Rogers

"Hopefully having people over for a barbecue."

What do you think?

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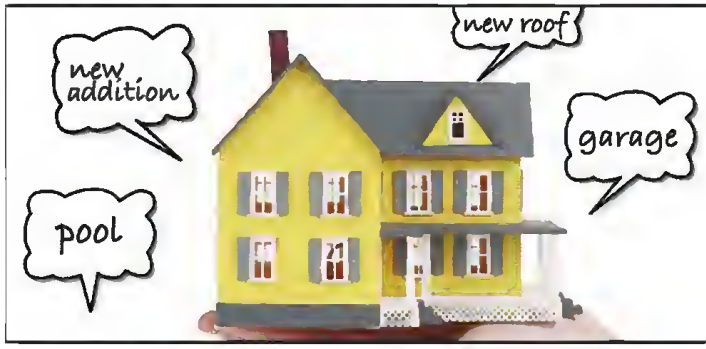
Take the Times

Recently, the Wolbert family visited Universal Studios in Florida and were thoughtful enough to bring a copy of the Times along. Seen here from left to right are Cody, Joey, Dakota, Kayla, Keighan, Sidney, Savanna and Paige.



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Hats off to the grads

Ridgeway-Crystal Beach High School principal Lou Vescio, middle, with students Chuqaio Huang, left, and Hannah Carver at the high school's recent graduation ceremony. Huang was presented with the governor general's award of excellence in education, Carver was the graduating class' valedictorian and also received the principal's award for student leadership.

Cancer survivor takes over Terry Fox Run

Kris Dubé
The Times

A few weeks ago, the Times broke a story about how the local Terry Fox Run could be in jeopardy.

Bonnie Harris was one of the residents who read the article and decided to act on it.

The event was in need of a volunteer to oversee its organization and Harris decided she was going to step up to the plate... and that is exactly what she has done.

A recent survivor of breast cancer, Harris has already started planning and she wants to make it bigger and better than ever.

Since 1981 the local event has raised almost $120,000 for the Terry Fox Foundation. This year, she hopes everyone in the community will participate, knowing how many people have been affected by cancer. Service clubs, schools and various community organizations will all be invited.

Bonnie Harris

"Every single person, from every walk of life has been touched by cancer," said Harris.

The local photographer has always had an open heart for charitable events but since her battle with cancer started and eventually dissipated, she has a brand new understanding of what these types of events mean to the community. When she read the recent article, she knew she wanted to pitch in.

"It struck a nerve more than it ever would have before," she said.

When she was first diagnosed late last year, the love she received from family and friends was immense and a huge part of her recovery. That's what the September event is going to touch on, how important it is to be compassionate and caring.

"I want to make it focus on what's important for supporting one another," she said.

Since taking over the event and registering with the Terry Fox Foundation as the main organizer in Fort Erie, the responses from the community have already started to pour in.

"It's been amazing," she said.

An exact route has not been verified, but Harris hopes the Friendship Trail will be included for most of it. To volunteer at the event, call Harris at (905) 894-8913.

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Getting prepared with backpacks

Sarah Ferguson
The Times

It's a good idea to have a safety plan implemented in case of an emergency.

But, it's not always something everyone thinks about until a real-life emergency happens.

Fort Erie Secondary School learned about the importance of having a safety emergency plan this past September when the power went out. The staff realized they needed to work on an emergency plan because the school did not have one.

Teachers were scrambling for flashlights and they had to make sure they worked, says principal Helena Tritchew.

"Really knowing what to do in a situation like that really makes a big difference."

Teachers Marina Parkes and Doug Willick formed the Emergency Preparedness Committee so staff and students would know what to do in an emergency situation.

The committee, with liaison members from the Fort Erie Fire Department and Niagara Regional Police, determines safety needs and identifies issues that might occur within the school.

With help from the Niagara Region Children's Safety Village—a non-profit organization and education centre in Welland—the committee and staff will fill 50 black and neon green backpacks with first aid kits, blankets, flash lights, non-perishable food and other items students might need in case of an emergency. These backpacks will completed and ready for use in September.

These easily identifiable backpacks will be placed in every room in the school. These same backpacks are given to every child who attends the Safety Village says Darby Pierson, program integration analyst for the Safety Village.

Pierson says school-age children can come to the Safety Village and learn about proper safety and injury prevention methods. The Safety Village provides a hands-on experience in a miniature village for children so they can put into practice what they have learned in the classroom about safety.

The purpose, says Darby, is to teach children what they need to know about safety and to take home what they have learned.

"Some kids don't realize when the power goes out that you can't use electronic items and often times some of them wouldn't know what exactly would work in a first aid and emergency kit. This is what we are trying to teach them."

Having a first aid kit handy and a prepared plan in case of any emergency is important because a situation can happen at any time—it's at home where the conversation should begin.

Pierson says the Safety Village wants children to think about their own safety plan and talk about creating one with their parents at home.

"We want children to ask their parents if they have an emergency plan ready and whether or not they have a first aid kit so they know what to do or where to go in case of an emergency."

SARAH FERGUSON Fort Erie Times

From left to right are Marina Parkes, Scott winger, Shirley Cordiner, Elena Tritchew, Ketrice Anderson and Darby Pearson. 50 backpacks were donated to Fort Erie Secondary School by the Niagara Region Children's Safety Village to create kits to use in case of an emergency.

Annual Josh Mack golf tourney

The fourth annual Josh Mack Memorial Golf Tournament will be held this year at Fort Erie Golf on Saturday July 16. Proceeds go towards the Josh Mack Memorial Scholarship in association with Lakeshore Catholic High School (LCHS) to a deserving graduating hockey player that demonstrates true community-minded spirit epitomizing Josh.

This year's scholarship of fifteen hundred was presented on June 29 at LCHS's graduation ceremony to the successful candidate. Cost for the tournament is only $65.00 which includes 18 holes, cart, and dinner - or dinner only for $25.00 To register you can visit the website at www.joshmackgolf.weebly.com and to sponsor a hole for $50.00 or donate a prize please contact Shawn Leggett at 289-696-9237 or Stephen Cooper at 905-658-4321. Josh Mack passed away in a tragic accident in Port Colborne in 2008 and Josh's closest friends started the golf tournament as a way to remember him and get together annually to reminisce while supporting the community.

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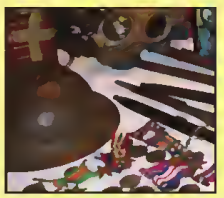

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BREAKING NEWS: Gold is at a record high!

THE ROADSHOW IS COMING TO FORT ERIE NEXT WEEK!

By: Michael Ross
Great Canadian Roadshow

After two successful weeks in Grimsby, the roadshow is heading to Fort Erie! So you better search through your attics and basements, go through your lock boxes and jewelry, hecause you may he sitting on a small fortune and not even know it! Roadshow experts are here to examine all your antiques, collectibles, gold, and silver.

"I'm so happy," Linda explains, "I never would have thought that my old tin of coins was worth so much! I can finally afford to renovate my kitchen."

During our show in Guelph, a woman came in with a jewelry hox that she had just inherited from her late aunt. "I don't wear jewelry," explained Cheryl Barnes, "so it was an easy decision to come down to the Roadshow to sell it". She was very excited when she was able to walk away with a cheque for over $2,100 for jewelry she was never going to wear anyways.

Expert Cliff Edwards explains, "We have noticed a substantial increase in the amount of precious metals such as gold and silver coming to the Roadshow, which makes sense considering how high it's currently trading at. He added, "The Roadshow is great because it puts money in people's pockets, especially during such hard times. Lots of items that are just sitting around collecting dust in basements and jewelry boxes can be exchanged for money, on the spot! ".

At another Roadshow event, a woman walked in with a tin full of hundreds of old coins that were given to her as a young child hy her grandfather. She finally decided to come in to the Roadshow and see what he had given her. She was ecstatic to learn she had coins dating back to the late 1800's, some of which were extremely rare. Roadshow consultant Raymond Flack explains "We had uncovered an 1871 Queen Victoria 50 Cent piece, valued at over $2,000!! She also had a nice assortment of coins that were not rare dates, but she was able to sell them for their silver content". All in all, Roadshow customer Linda Donaldson was able to cash in with $4,500! "I'm so happy, "Linda explains, "I never would have thought that my old tin of coins was worth so much! I can finally afford to renovate my kitchen." Raymond Flack continued, "Canadian coins prior to 1967, and American coins prior to 1964 are all made with silver, and we have noticed a large increase of customers coming to the Roadshow with coins and cashing them in for their silver value." Experts at the Roadshow will evaluate and examine your items, FREE OF CHARGE, as well as educate you on them. The Roadshow sees hundreds of people during a one week event, and they have heen travelling across Canada to different cities and towns, searching for your forgotten treasures.

Trains, dolls, toys, old advertising signs, pocket watches, porcelain and bisque dolls, pretty much everything can be sold at the Roadshow. Any early edition Barbie's are sought after by Roadshow collectors, as well as a variety of Dinky Toys and Matchbox Cars. Lionel Trains and a variety of tin toys can also fetch a price, especially if they are in their original box or in mint condition. If a collector is looking for one of your collectables, we can always make an offer to buy it.

"We have noticed a substantial increase in the amount of precious metals such as gold and silver coming to the Roadshow, which makes sense considering how high it's currently trading at."

A man brought in a 1950's Marx Tin Toy Rohot, in fairly good condition, still in its original box. We were able to locate a collector for that specific toy within minutes, and that gentleman went home with over $700 for his Toy Robot and a few other small toys.

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Tim McMorris and Khaili Conway, recently shot a music video in Fort Erie, using Waverly Beach as one of the locations.

Couple has many creative projects on the move

Husband and wife duo make music and movies together

Kris Dubé
The Times

Tim McMorris and Khaili Conway are quite the creative couple.

Making music videos, selling songs to wealthy corporations, writing screenplays...they have a lot on the go between them.

Most recently, they filmed a music video for Khaili's catchy pop song "Living it Happy," using many recognizable locations such as Waverly Beach, the Buffalo skyline and Niagara Falls to name a few.

McMorris, who has his own musical career but directed the video, said he wanted to pinpoint places in Fort Erie throughout it...especially soft, coastline shots that compliment the song rather nicely.

> **"Music is in my family all the way back to Motown."**
>
> *— Tim McMorris*

"It's a really lighthearted song," he said.

When they aren't busy working at Khaili's musical endeavors, or her film titled 'Entwined,' McMorris is usually working on his own songs. He's having a lot of success with them, but you won't most likely hear them on the radio any time soon.

He has performed and produced several tracks for royalty free commercial use, featured in many TV shows, movies and advertisements.

This year, his songs have been picked up for ads by Adidas and Toyota. During the recent National Basketball Playoffs, the Boston Celtics contacted him for a song they used for TV broadcasts.

Creating songs has always been a part of Tim's life, but it wasn't until about five years ago he started to take it to the next level.

"Music in my family all the way back to Motown, my dad was cutting tracks with the Temptations," he said.

When he started posting online, he noticed many of the songs up for grabs by other commercial artists were instrumentals, so he decided to go against the norm and see if there were any bites for songs with lyrics.

"That's one of my strong suits, specifically in lyrical content."

It paid off, because that's when Toyota picked up his track 'It's a Beautiful Day.'

Khaili attended the Brit School for Performing Arts in London, England. She has worked in TV on Canadian and U.S networks.

Her website is www.khaili.com and the website for her film is www.entwinedthemovie.com.

Tim's website is www.timmcmorris.com .

Bricks & Bouquets

If you have a brick or bouquet send it to editorial@forterietimes.com or phone 905-871-3100, ext. 210 and leave a message

Brick

To the people who regularly go through the red light on Thompson Road, near the Wal-Mart entrance. There is going to be a huge pile-up soon enough. Let's hope not though.

Bouquet

To everyone who supports projects undertaken by local service clubs, such as a rose sale held by the Fort Erie Rotary Club.

Brick

To the Town for unnecessarily cancelling minor baseball games due to weather. I understand some of the older kids might damage the diamonds if they are too rain-soaked, but when we're dealing with four year olds, just throw down three bases and let them play the game.

Bouquet

To anyone who has recently adopted an animal from the local SPCA. They are getting full and taking in a pet really means you are saving a life.

Brick

To a farmer in Stevensville who is allegedly disposing of manure off his property and creating quite the stench throughout the local village. It certainly doesn't smell like a bouquet.

Bouquet

To people who didn't approve of a few decisions made by council throughout this term, but are still able to look ahead to the future and get behind our elected officials. All these audit applications are nothing but a waste of time that diverts attention away from so many other much more important issues.

Brick

To people who don't plan to attend the Friendship Festival. It's the 25th year, so show some pride in your community.

Have you HEARD?

by Alaina Hillier, M.Cl.Sc
Registered by CASLTO
Audiologist

TWO OUT OF THREE

A new study shows that 63 percent of those aged 70 years and older have hearing loss that ranges from mild to severe. Perhaps even more telling is the fact that only one-fifth of senior Americans with hearing loss use a hearing instrument. When it comes to a breakdown of the numbers, older males are more likely to have a hearing loss (or a more severe hearing loss) than younger females. Moreover, Caucasians were more likely to have hearing losses than African-Americans (64% versus 43%). While the reason for this is not clear, it is thought that pigment produced by the skin and cells in the inner ear may protect the inner ear from free radicals.

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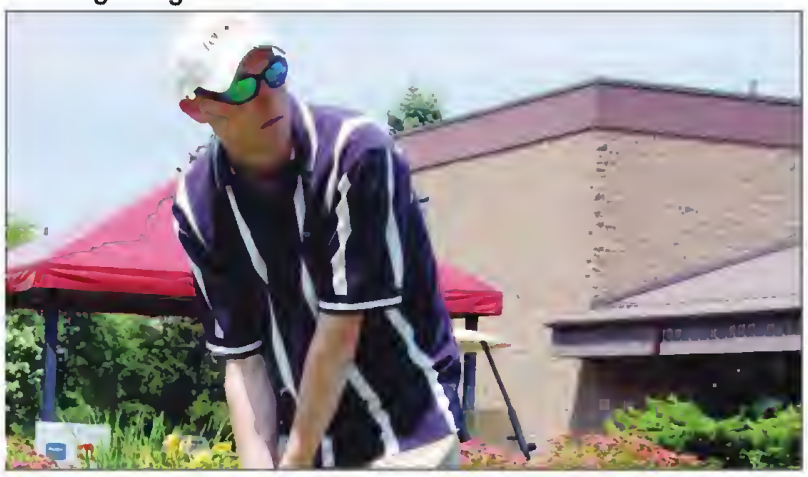

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Greater Fort Erie Chamber of Commerce president Stephen Passero eyes up a putt at the Mayor's Drive 'Fore' Business golf tournament at Bridgewater Country Club on Monday. The annual tournament raises money for the chamber. Sixty-four golfers hit the course, mostly people in the local business community.

Pre–game pep talk

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Members of the Fort Erie Cannons baseball team go over the starting line-up from Wednesday's game against the Rose City Thorns at Oakes Park. The squad improved its record to 7-3 after Robin Kellar knocked in two runs in the bottom of the final inning, to take the game by a close score of 6-5.

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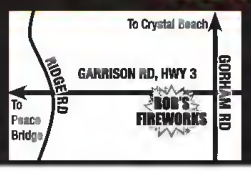

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A million times I've needed you
A million times I've cried,
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You never would have died.
Things we feel most deeply
Are the hardest things to say,
My dearest one, I loved you,
In a very special way.
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One dream that could come true,
I'd pray to God with all my heart
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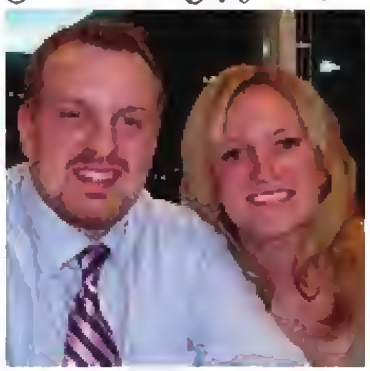

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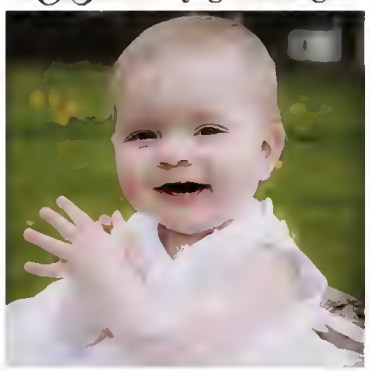

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Deaths

BALL, Gary H. - On Monday June 27, 2011 Gary passed away suddenly et the age of 63 years. Beloved husband and best friend to Denise Ball. Dear brother to Nadyne Coons, Wellend, cherished uncle to Michele Haskin (George), Huntsville and Michael Coons (Shannon) end great-uncle to Katrina and Anna all of Colorado. Gary will be sadly missed by his step grandchildren Emily and Madison Cline. Gery wes predeceesed by his parents Anna and Charles Ball of Welland. Gary enjoyed his career as a teecher et Methews Public School in Welland for twenty-two years, at Stevensville Public for one year and Garrison Road for twelve years. Gary enjoyed the outdoors and remained active in skiing and pleying baseball. He end Denise spent time together as members of The Bert Miller Nature Club, Ridgeway Crystel Beach Gerden Club end The Ridgeway Beachcombers. Family will receive friends et the **WILLIAMS FUNERAL HOME**, 722 Ridge Road N., Ridgeway on Friday morning from 10 until service time at 11 o'clock. Interment to follow et Woodlewn Cemetery, Welland at a later date. In memory of Gary, those who wish mey donete to the Cenedien Cencer Society. Sharing of memories, pictures and condolences at **www.willlamsfuneralhome.ca**
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Deaths

FRETZ, Helen Marilynn (nee Rebstock) - Passed away peacefully at the Douglas Memorial Hospital, on Friday, June 24, 2011 with her loving family by her side at the age of 70 years. Loving wife and best friend to Wayne Fretz for 52 years. Beloved mother of Cheryl (Gord Carlyle) and Cyndy Davis (Kathy Moore) and dear step-mother to Kevin Hall. Helen was the proud grandma to Joshua, Nelson and Daniel. Cherished sister of Ruth Hester, Bud Rebstock and Jerry Rebstock and their families. Helen will be fondly remembered and sadly missed by her brother-in-law and sister-in-law Don (Cathy) Fretz. Helen was predeceased by her parents George and Helen Rebstock and siblings John, George, Louise, Joanne and Charlotte. Friends called at **WILLIAMS FUNERAL HOME**, 722 Ridge Road North, Ridgeway on Tuesday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. and on Wednesday morning from 10 until service time at 11 o'clock. Donations in her memory may be made to Crystal Ridge Public Library (Adult Reading) or to the Canadian Hearing Society. Sharing of memories, pictures and condolences at www.williamsfuneralhome.ca

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The joys that he missed
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May he find in God's garden of rest.

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Deaths

JACOBI, Kraig Donald - After a courageous battle, Kraig passed away on Thursday June 30th, 2011 with his loving girlfriend Kelly Rowe by his side at the age of 38 years. Beloved son of Donna Jacobi (Bob) and Ken Jacobi (Pat). Dear brother of Ken (Sue) Jacobi. Cherished grandson of Helen Jacobi, Donald Jacobi (Ethel) and Jessie Clayton (Carl). Kraig will be sadly missed by his niece Aurora, cousins and many friends throughout the community. A celebration of Kraig's life will follow at a later date. Funeral arrangements entrusted to **WILLIAMS FUNERAL HOME**. Sharing of memories, pictures and condolences at www.williamsfuneralhome.ca

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Deaths

VALVO, Albert Vincent - Passed away peacefully on Sunday, June 26, 2011 at Douglas Memorial Hospital. Beloved husband of the late Betty (2003). Cherished father of Robin (Ray) Vassallo. Proud grandfather of Karrie (Jon) Metyjes and Rebecca (Patrick) Sandel and cherished great grandfather of Taylor and Kameron Matyjas, Kristine, Alyssa and Ryan Sandel. Sadly missed by nieces and nephews, Len O'Sullivan, Gayle King, Wendy Valvo, Rick Valvo and their families. Albert was also known as "Uncle Al" to many, if not all, of his daughter's friends. Predeceased by his parents Leonard and Catherine Valvo and siblings, Russ (Dorothy), Ross (Dolores) and Flo (Pat). Albert was born and raised in Fort Erie. He was blessed with many dear friends and was always ready to share a story and a few laughs. His last several weeks were not what we would have wished for such a kind and gentle man, but because of daily visits from friends and family, and especially Mae, Al and Vince, who loved him dearly, he managed to always be positive and optimistic. Albert and his zest for life will be missed by all who knew him, but we have comfort knowing that he is now with his beloved Betty who he shared over 60 years with. Thank you to so many wonderful friends and family members these past trying few days. Your loyalty and love for Albert was a true testament to him and the legacy he leaves behind. Special thanks to Dr. Che and Dr. Scher and the most amazing nurses and support staff at Douglas Memorial Hospital. Your kindness and gentleness will always be remembered. **BENNER FUNERAL SERVICES**, 1105 Benner Road, Fort Erie entrusted with arrangements. At Albert's request, there was no visitation. A Funeral Mass to honour his life was held on Wednesday, June 29, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. at St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church, 310 Central Avenue, Fort Erie. Albert was a member of St. Michael's Parish his entire life and was devoted to his faith and his church. To honour his memory and in lieu of flowers, if so desired a donation to St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church Building Fund or the Heart and Stroke Foundation would be appreciated by his family.

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